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Dr. Harmon C. McAllister
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Dear Dr. McAllister,

The graduate students in the Department of Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology are hosting a symposium entitled: **The Self-Wiring Machine: Development and Functional Organization of Nervous Systems** to be held April 16-18, 1993. The symposium will cover a range of topics: neurogenesis; pathfinding and migration; target recognition, synapse formation and differentiation; and sensation, movement, and long term potentiation. This letter is written with the hope that you will make a contribution to support our Graduate Student Symposium.

A unique feature of this annual event is that they are organized and run entirely by the graduate students from this department. These symposia allow us to interact with prominent scientists from diverse disciplines on a one-on-one basis, and provide us with deeper insight into the many significant questions facing biologists today. These symposia also serve to animate the scientific atmosphere of this area by bringing to Boulder outstanding investigators from around the world.

In the past, the Graduate Student Symposium has been made possible by donations from biotechnology companies, from companies doing business with this department, and others with an interest in biology. The total cost of the symposia is estimated at $15,000, primarily for transportation and housing of the speakers. Contributions have ranged from $500 up to $3,000. Any contribution would be greatly appreciated, and acknowledged at the meeting and in the publicity.

We are enclosing a tentative program for this year's symposia as well as programs from past symposia. A member of the Graduate Student Symposium Organizing Committee will telephone you shortly to discuss this request. We anticipate that this will be a very exciting symposium.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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